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believes with respect to appropriations. Today is the day. If you've been sitting back, believing that there needs to be cuts, today is the day. This is our budget. Now is our chance. Let's see what it is. Let's find out what X is, and X is the shortfall, and then solve for X. There are cuts that I could make. There are cuts I could vote for, but I don't know many, I have to confess, and I'm looking forward to a chance to have a little show and tell from those whose first line of defense are cuts. Because I have to confess my first line of defense has been finding revenue. That's where I've been spending my energy. And at this point, I think we've gone as far with that agenda, until we know what X is, as we can. We've certainly made our preferences known. I think we've put a lot of chips on the table, but we haven't made a final determination and the answer is we don't know what we need to add up to, and that's what today is for. I look forward to this debate. Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Landis. Senator Bourne. Senator Bourne waives off. Any other senators wishing to speak? There are not. Senator Wehrbein, did you wish to close?

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: Just to say that, Mr. President, members of the body, that this is an additional deficit request in the amount of \$18,632 for the Rural Development Commission, to wind down their agency, and the second one is additional money in Cash Funds to pay out employee retirement for the Electrical Board. And I urge your adoption.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Wehrbein. The question before the body is adoption of AM1749 to LB 402. All in favor of the motion vote aye, opposed nay. Record please, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 38 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on the adoption of Senator Wehrbein's amendment.

SENATOR CUDABACK: The motion was successful.

CLERK: Mr. President, I have nothing further on the bill.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Mossey, for a motion.